State of Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home

STRATEGIC PLAN FY 2008-2009 THROUGH FY 2012-2013

NORTHWEST LOUISIANA WAR VETERANS HOME STRATEGIC PLAN

VISION: To serve as a model for all Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs State nursing homes by optimizing healthcare benefits for disabled Louisiana wartime veterans through federally administered healthcare programs.

MISSION: To provide personalized rehabilitative and restorative healthcare to Louisiana disabled wartime veterans in a safe, clean, homelike environment focusing on enhanced healthcare and quality of life to allow each veteran to maximize their individual potential.

PHILOSOPHY: The Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home represents a Louisiana commitment to its disabled wartime veterans by providing healthcare in their time of need. To employ the best qualified personnel to perform their skills; to work in a team environment where employees are encouraged to strive for excellence; to create a sense of unity among veterans, their families, employees, service organizations, and the public; to use proactive policy making and innovative action to comply with all regulatory agency regulations; and, to ensure each veteran is provided with efficient, courteous and compassionate healthcare to maximize their potential.

GOALS:

I. To assure operational effectiveness of the Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home.

OBJECTIVE I.1 Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of 95% throughout one complete year by FY 2012-2013.

STRATEGY I.1.1 Increase admissions of veterans through State Veteran Service Officers in Northwest Louisiana and Overton Brooks VAMC.

STRATEGY I.1.2 Communicate with veteran service organizations to establish a referral network.

STRATEGY I.1.3 Promote the facility by utilizing local media.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Input: Total days of nursing Output: Average daily census

Outcome: Nursing Care Percent Occupancy Efficiency: Average cost for veteran's healthcare

Quality: Rank among nation's State veterans homes

Goals: (continued)

II. To maximize cost effectiveness of the healthcare facility.

OBJECTIVE II.1 Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare cost with

federal funding as provided by federal regulations, while limiting state costs to no more than 25% by

FY 2012-2013.

STRATEGY II.1.1 Actively support efforts of the National Association

of State Veterans Homes to increase federal per

diem payment.

STRATEGY II.1.2 Accurately bill sources of revenue.

STRATEGY II.1.3 Maintain census at its highest level.

STRATEGY II.1.4 Maximize other revenue sources to offset state

revenues.

STRATEGY II.1.5 Utilize no cost ancillary healthcare providers.

STRATEGY II.1.6 Encourage qualified volunteer services and

donations.

PERFORMANCE INDICATORS:

Input: Average cost per veteran day

Output: Average State cost per veteran day
Output: Average Federal cost per veteran day

Output: Average Self-Generated cost per veteran day

Outcome: Percent of cost per veteran day from State revenues
Outcome: Percent of cost per veteran day from Federal per diem

payments

Outcome: Percent of cost per veteran day from Self-Generated

revenues

Efficiency: Percent of cost per veteran day from State budgeted

revenues

Quality: Facility rank among nation's State veteran homes for

comparison of cost effectiveness

APPENDIX

1. Principal Customers:

The principal customers served by the Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home is wartime veterans and their families, employees and their families, members of volunteer service organizations and the general public.

2. Principal Beneficiary:

The principal beneficiary of healthcare services provided is the veteran resident of the Home.

3. External Factors:

The achievement of stated goals and objectives is dependent upon adequate funding from principal revenue sources: State General Funds, Fees and Self-Generated Funds, and Federal Funds.

4. Statutory Authorization:

Act 152 of 1965 Legislature and Act 648 of 1968 Legislature

Amended by:

Act 294 of 1974 Legislature, Act 687 of 1974 Legislature, Act 300 of 1976 Legislature, Act 507 of 1981 Legislature, Act 285 of 1981 Legislature, and Section 641, Title 38, U.S. Code

5. Development:

The Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home will utilize the Strategic Planning process to identify requirements of healthcare regulations and trends to establish organizational goals and objectives.

6. Objective Beneficiaries:

- Objective I.1: Louisiana wartime veterans will benefit from this objective.
- Objective II.1: Veteran residents and their families, employees and their families, and the State of Louisiana will benefit from this objective.

Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Program: Objective:** Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of

95% throughout one complete year by FY

2012-2013

Indicator Name: Total Days of Nursing Care

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Input (Key)

2. Rationale: A valid measure of performance which

calculates the **c**umulative number of veteran

residents cared for each day

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

> this indicator will be used to determine potential revenue based on daily services to

veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by performing a physical count

of veteran residents on a weekly basis

Daily census report is reported on a monthly 6. Data Source,

basis to the Veterans Administration Medical Collection, and Reporting

Center, Shreveport for the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Continually add total veteran resident census

each day to previous days total Methodology

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total veteran

resident population

9. Caveats: None

Fac Accounting Spec 1 for accts rec 10. Responsible Person:

Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Program: Objective:** Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of

95% throughout one complete year by FY

2012-2013

Indicator Name: Average Daily Census

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Output (Key)

2. Rationale: A valid measure of performance which

calculates the **c**umulative number of veteran

residents cared for each day

3. Use: for performance-based budgeting purposes,

> this indicator will be used to determine potential revenue based on daily services to

veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by performing a physical count

of veteran residents on a weekly basis

6. Data Source, Daily census report is reported on a monthly

basis to the Veterans Administration Medical Collection, and Reporting

Center, Shreveport for the Federal fiscal year

Add veteran residents admitted to census 7. Calculation

Methodology minus those discharged

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total veteran

resident population

9. Caveats: None

10. Responsible Person: Fac Accounting Spec 1 for Accts Rec

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of

95% throughout one complete year by FY

2012-2013

Indicator Name: Nursing Care Percent Occupancy

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Outcome (Key)

2. Rationale: A valid measure of performance which

calculates the utilization percentage of

authorized nursing care beds

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine potential revenue based on daily services to

veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by performing a physical count

of veteran residents on a weekly basis

6. Data Source, Daily census report is reported on a daily

Collection, basis for the State fiscal year

and Reporting

7. Calculation Total average daily census divided by total

Methodology facility bed authorization

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total veteran

resident population

9. Caveats: None

10. Responsible Person: Fac Accounting Spec 1 for Accts Rec

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home
Objective: Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of

95% throughout one complete year by FY

2012-2013

Indicator Name: Average cost for veteran's healthcare

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Efficiency (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures amount of funding needed to care

for each individual veteran resident each day

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine potential revenue based on daily services to

veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the **Reliability,** Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy

and Accuracy is validated by determining the cost of healthcare provided to veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the Veterans Administration Medical Center

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total cost of operating facility divided by

Methodology veteran resident days of care

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total veteran

resident population

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Maintain an average daily occupancy rate of

95% throughout one complete year by FY

2012-2013

Indicator Name: Rank among nation's State veterans homes

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Quality (Key)

2. Rationale: Compares total veteran cost per day to other

State veteran homes

3. Use: To effect cost efficient management in

providing healthcare to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by comparing costs of facility

to costs of other State veteran homes

6. Data Source, Annual cost reports from Veterans

Collection,

and Reporting

Administration for the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Compare facility total cost of veterans care

Methodology to other State veteran homes

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total costs for

facility to the total costs of other State

veteran homes

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Average cost per Veteran day

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Input (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures amount of funding needed to care

for each individual veteran resident each day

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine potential revenue based on daily services to

veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the **Reliability.** Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy

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healthcare provided to veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total cost of operating facility divided by

Methodology veteran resident days of care

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total veteran

resident population

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Average State cost per Veteran day

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Output (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures amount of State funding required

to provide nursing care for veteran residents

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine potential state revenue based on daily

services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, This indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by determining the State cost of

healthcare provided to veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total cost per veteran day multiplied by %

Methodology of State funding

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran

residents

9. Caveats: None

Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Program: Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State

costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Average Federal cost per Veteran day

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Output (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures amount of Federal funding

required to provide nursing care for veteran

residents

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

> this indicator will be used to determine potential state revenue based on daily

services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy is validated by determining the Federal cost and Accuracy

of healthcare provided to veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the

Veterans Administration Medical Center Collection,

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

Total cost per veteran day multiplied by % 7. Calculation

of Federal funding Methodology

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran

residents

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name:

Avg Self-Generated cost per veteran day

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Output (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures amount of Self-Generated funding

required to provide nursing care for veteran

residents

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine potential Self-Generated revenue based on

daily services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy

and Accuracy is validated by determining the Self-Generated cost of healthcare provided to

veteran residents

6. **Data Source,** Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total cost per veteran day multiplied by %

Methodology of Self-Generated funding

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran

residents

9. Caveats: None

Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Program: Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Percent of cost per veteran day from State

revenues

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Outcome (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures percentage from State funding

used to pay for daily nursing care for veteran

residents

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine

State revenue based on

daily services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy Reliability,

and Accuracy is validated by determining the State

cost of healthcare provided to

veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total State funds received divided by total Methodology cost per veteran resident days times 100.

Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran 8. Scope:

residents

None 9. Caveats:

Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Program: Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State

costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013 Percent of cost per veteran day from Federal

per diem payments

New **Indicator LaPAS PI Code:**

Indicator Name:

1. Type and Level: Outcome (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures percentage from Federal per diem

used to pay for daily nursing care for veteran

residents

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine

Federal revenue based on

daily services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy Reliability, and Accuracy is validated by determining the Federal

cost of healthcare provided to

veteran residents

6. Data Source, Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center and Reporting

Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total Federal funds received divided by total

Methodology cost per veteran resident days times 100.

Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran 8. Scope:

residents

None 9. Caveats:

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Percent of cost per veteran day from Self-

Generated revenues

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Outcome (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures percentage of funding required to

provide nursing care to veteran residents derived from non-state or federal sources

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine

Self-Generated revenue based on daily services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy and Accuracy is validated by determining Self-Generated

cost of healthcare provided to

veteran residents

6. **Data Source,** Monthly cost report is reported to the

Collection, Veterans Administration Medical Center **and Reporting** Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Total Self-Generated revenues received

Methodology divided by total cost per veteran day times

100

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran

residents

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Percent of cost per veteran day from State

budgeted revenues

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Efficiency (Key)

2. Rationale: Measures percentage of funding required to

provide nursing care to veteran residents

derived from budgeted State funds

3. Use: For performance-based budgeting purposes,

this indicator will be used to determine

State budgeted funds based on daily services to veteran residents

4. Clarity: There are no unclear terms.

5. Validity, Indicator has not been audited by the

Reliability, Office of the Legislative Auditor. Accuracy

and Accuracy is validated by determining State

cost of healthcare provided to

veteran residents

6. **Data Source,**Collection,

Monthly cost report is reported to the Veterans Administration Medical Center

and Reporting Shreveport during the Federal fiscal year

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Methodology divided by total cost per veteran day times

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8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total cost of veteran

residents

9. Caveats: None

Program: Northwest Louisiana War Veterans Home **Objective:** Obtain 50% of the total veteran healthcare

cost with Federal funding as provided by Federal regulations, while limiting State

costs to no more than 25% by FY 2012-2013

Indicator Name: Facility rank among nation's State veteran

homes for comparison of cost effectiveness

budgeted revenues

Indicator LaPAS PI Code: New

1. Type and Level: Quality (Key)

2. Rationale: Compares total veteran cost per day to other

State veteran homes

3. Use: To effect cost efficient management in

providing healthcare to veteran residents

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to costs of other State veteran homes

6. **Data Source**, Annual cost reports from Veterans

Collection,

And Reporting Administration Medical Center Shreveport

for the Federal fiscal year

7. Calculation Compare facility total cost of veterans care

Methodology to other State veteran homes

8. Scope: Aggregated by the sum of total costs for

facility to the total cost of other State veteran

homes

9. Caveats: None

STRATEGY ANALYSIS CHECKLIST

GOAL 1

Assure operational effectiveness of the Northwest Louisiana Veterans Home

ANALYSIS

- __X___ Cost/Benefit Analysis Conducted
- X Financial or performance audit used
- X Benchmarking for best management practices used
- _____ Act 160 reports used
- X___ Other analysis or evaluation tools used
- _X__ Impact on other strategies considered
- X Stakeholders identified and involved

AUTHORIZATION

	Authorization exists
X	_ Authorization needed

ORGANIZATION CAPACITY

- X Needed structural or procedural changes identified
- _X__ Resource needs identified
- X Strategies developed to implement needed changes or address resource needs
- X Responsibility assigned

TIME FRAME

- _____ already ongoing
- X New, startup date estimated
- X Lifetime of strategy identified

FISCAL IMPACT

- X impact on operating budget
- X Impact on capital outlay budget
- X Means of finance identified
- X Return on investment determined to be favorable

STRATEGY ANALYSIS CHECKLIST

GOAL II

Maximize cost effectiveness of the healthcare facility

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- X Cost/Benefit Analysis Conducted
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- X Benchmarking for best management practices used
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